



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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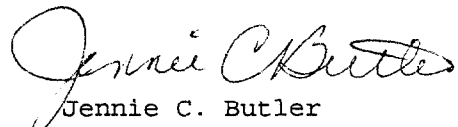
Stacey Z Zawel PhD
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Dear Dr. Zawel and Mr. Skiles:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration to reconsider its decision on the effect of dietary supplement on structure/function of body was received by this office on 02/07/00. It was assigned docket number 98N-0044/PRC 5 and it was filed on 02/07/00. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,


Jennie C. Butler
Dockets Management Branch

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